

FISCAL NOTE

HJR 698

March 11, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes an amendment to Article II, Section 18, of the Constitution of Tennessee to provide: *No bill to raise the rate of sales tax shall be come law unless, on third and final consideration, it has received the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of all the members elected to the House of Representative and two-thirds (2/3) of all the members elected to the Senate, or in two consecutive general assemblies it has received the assent of a constitutional majority of all the members elected to the House of Representatives and a constitutional majority of all the members elected to the Senate.*

The amendment shall be referred to the 103rd General Assembly and this resolution proposing such amendment shall be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with the Constitution of Tennessee, Article XI, Section 3.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$20,000 One-Time

Other Fiscal Impact - To the extent the bill prevents increases in the sales tax that would have occurred in the absence of the bill, the state would forgo increased revenues which would likely be significant.

Assumes a cost of \$20,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers as required by this resolution.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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